Please provide the following information, and submit to the NOAA DM Plan Repository.

# Reference to Master DM Plan (if applicable)

As stated in Section IV, Requirement 1.3, DM Plans may be hierarchical. If this DM Plan inherits provisions from a higher-level DM Plan already submitted to the Repository, then this more-specific Plan only needs to provide information that differs from what was provided in the Master DM Plan.

URL of higher-level DM Plan (if any) as submitted to DM Plan Repository:

### 1. General Description of Data to be Managed

# 1.1. Name of the Data, data collection Project, or data-producing Program:

CRCP-Acropora palmata snail corallivore removal evaluation

#### 1.2. Summary description of the data:

Corallivorous snail feeding scars are a common source of tissue loss for the threatened coral Acropora palmata, accounting for roughly one quarter of tissue loss in monitored study plots averaged over seven years. Meanwhile, corallivory is one of the few major sources of partial mortality (contrasting with threats such as bleaching, disease, or storm disturbances) that may be locally managed. Thus we conducted a field experiment to explore both the effectiveness and feasibility of snail removal. Long-term monitoring plots on six reefs in the upper Florida Keys were assigned to one of three snail removal treatments: 1) removal from A. palmata only 2) removal from all host coral species 3) No-removal controls. During the initial removal in June 2011, 639 snails were removed from twelve 150m2 plots. Snails were removed 2 additional times during a seven month removal phase, and then counted at five surveys over the next 19 months to track recolonization. At the conclusion, snails were collected, measured and sexed.

# 1.3. Is this a one-time data collection, or an ongoing series of measurements?

One-time data collection

#### 1.4. Actual or planned temporal coverage of the data:

2011 to 2013, 2011 to 2013

#### 1.5. Actual or planned geographic coverage of the data:

W: -80.5, E: -80.1, N: 25.3, S: 24.9 upper Florida Keys

W: -80.37327777778, E: -80.21055555556, N: 25.22194444444, S: 25.01013888889 Atlantic Ocean, U.S. South

#### 1.6. Type(s) of data:

(e.g., digital numeric data, imagery, photographs, video, audio, database, tabular data, etc.)
Table (digital)

### 1.7. Data collection method(s):

(e.g., satellite, airplane, unmanned aerial system, radar, weather station, moored buoy, research vessel, autonomous underwater vehicle, animal tagging, manual surveys, enforcement activities, numerical model, etc.)

Instrument: Not applicable

Platform: N/A

Physical Collection / Fishing Gear: N/A

# 1.8. If data are from a NOAA Observing System of Record, indicate name of system:

# 1.8.1. If data are from another observing system, please specify:

# 2. Point of Contact for this Data Management Plan (author or maintainer)

#### 2.1. Name:

Dana E Williams

#### 2.2. Title:

Metadata Contact

### 2.3. Affiliation or facility:

# 2.4. E-mail address:

dana.williams@noaa.gov

#### 2.5. Phone number:

305-767-3262

### 3. Responsible Party for Data Management

Program Managers, or their designee, shall be responsible for assuring the proper management of the data produced by their Program. Please indicate the responsible party below.

#### 3.1. Name:

Dana E Williams

#### 3.2. Title:

Data Steward

#### 4. Resources

Programs must identify resources within their own budget for managing the data they produce.

## 4.1. Have resources for management of these data been identified?

No

# 4.2. Approximate percentage of the budget for these data devoted to data management ( specify percentage or "unknown"):

0

# 5. Data Lineage and Quality

NOAA has issued Information Quality Guidelines for ensuring and maximizing the quality, objectivity, utility, and integrity of information which it disseminates.

# 5.1. Processing workflow of the data from collection or acquisition to making it publicly accessible

(describe or provide URL of description):

Lineage Statement:

Most data recorded in situ on paper forms, then entered into spreadsheet by observer. Some data involved collecting specimens (snails). These were measured for total length and sexed. These data were subsequently entered into spreadsheet and analyzed

**Process Steps:** 

- Data are entered from field data sheets into ACCESS database
- 5.1.1. If data at different stages of the workflow, or products derived from these data, are subject to a separate data management plan, provide reference to other plan:
- 5.2. Quality control procedures employed (describe or provide URL of description):

Repeat removal surveys were conducted at the inception of the project. Field data sheets were entered in database and checked for consistency. Photographs of colonies were taken to verify scores for colony condition.

#### 6. Data Documentation

The EDMC Data Documentation Procedural Directive requires that NOAA data be well documented, specifies the use of ISO 19115 and related standards for documentation of new data, and provides links to resources and tools for metadata creation and validation.

6.1. Does metadata comply with EDMC Data Documentation directive?

Yes

- 6.1.1. If metadata are non-existent or non-compliant, please explain:
- 6.2. Name of organization or facility providing metadata hosting:

NMFS Office of Science and Technology

- 6.2.1. If service is needed for metadata hosting, please indicate:
- 6.3. URL of metadata folder or data catalog, if known:

https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/inport/item/26793

6.4. Process for producing and maintaining metadata

(describe or provide URL of description):

Metadata produced and maintained in accordance with the NOAA Data Documentation Procedural Directive: https://nosc.noaa.gov/EDMC/DAARWG/docs/EDMC\_PD-Data\_Documentation\_v1.pdf

#### 7. Data Access

NAO 212-15 states that access to environmental data may only be restricted when distribution is explicitly limited by law, regulation, policy (such as those applicable to personally identifiable information or protected critical infrastructure information or proprietary trade information) or by security requirements. The EDMC Data Access Procedural Directive contains specific guidance, recommends the use of open-standard, interoperable, non-proprietary web services, provides information about resources and tools to enable data access, and includes a Waiver to be submitted to justify any approach other than full, unrestricted public access.

# 7.1. Do these data comply with the Data Access directive?

Yes

- 7.1.1. If the data are not to be made available to the public at all, or with limitations, has a Waiver (Appendix A of Data Access directive) been filed?
- 7.1.2. If there are limitations to public data access, describe how data are protected from unauthorized access or disclosure:
- 7.2. Name of organization of facility providing data access:

National Centers for Environmental Information - Silver Spring, Maryland (NCEI-MD)

7.2.1. If data hosting service is needed, please indicate:

Yes (already provided)

#### 7.2.2. URL of data access service, if known:

https://www.nodc.noaa.gov/cgi-bin/OAS/prd/accession/download/161266

#### 7.3. Data access methods or services offered:

Download from provided link

# 7.4. Approximate delay between data collection and dissemination:

365

# 7.4.1. If delay is longer than latency of automated processing, indicate under what authority data access is delayed:

N/A

#### 8. Data Preservation and Protection

The NOAA Procedure for Scientific Records Appraisal and Archive Approval describes how to identify, appraise and decide what scientific records are to be preserved in a NOAA archive.

### 8.1. Actual or planned long-term data archive location:

(Specify NCEI-MD, NCEI-CO, NCEI-NC, NCEI-MS, World Data Center (WDC) facility, Other, To Be Determined, Unable to Archive, or No Archiving Intended)

World Data Center (WDC) Facility

# 8.1.1. If World Data Center or Other, specify:

**NCEI Archive** 

### 8.1.2. If To Be Determined, Unable to Archive or No Archiving Intended, explain:

# 8.2. Data storage facility prior to being sent to an archive facility (if any):

National Centers for Environmental Information - Silver Spring, Maryland - Silver Spring, MD

Location Of The Main Office Of The South East Fisheries Science Center

# 8.3. Approximate delay between data collection and submission to an archive facility: $\ensuremath{\mathrm{N/A}}$

# 8.4. How will the data be protected from accidental or malicious modification or deletion prior to receipt by the archive?

Discuss data back-up, disaster recovery/contingency planning, and off-site data storage relevant to the data collection

N/A

#### 9. Additional Line Office or Staff Office Questions

Line and Staff Offices may extend this template by inserting additional questions in this section.